Marble Falls Independent School District Board Meeting Minutes June 17, 2024- Regular Board Meeting

Kevin Naumann, President, called the regular meeting to order at 6:08p.m. at the Marble Falls Central Office at 1800 Colt Circle, Marble Falls, TX. A quorum was present; notice of this meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

**Board Members Present:** Kevin Naumann, Larry Berkman, Mandy McCary, Alex Payson,

Crystal Tubig, Gary Boshears and Kevin Virdell

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Administrators Present:** Dr. Jeff Gasaway, Stan Whittle, Yarda Leflet, Dr. Shana Fancher,

Dr. Melissa Fields, Soor-el Puga, Rudy Gonzalez, Kara Gasaway,

Patrick Hinson, Bill Orr, Melissa Fletcher, Mackie Price,

Nathan Fink, Clark Fields, Michael Haley, Suzie Neuenschwander

**Members of the Press:** None

**Citizen Comments:** There were no citizen comments.

## **Information Items**

- -General Fund Summary
- -Expenditure Report
- -Bilingual/ESL Report
- -SHAC Report
- -GT Update

## **Public Hearing**

## 2024-2025 Proposed Budget

Kevin Naumann opened the public hearing at 6:12p.m. regarding the MFISD 2024-2025 budget. Bill Orr presented the proposed budget to the board. There were no comments from the public. Mr. Naumann closed the public hearing at 6:24p.m.

## Presentation/Discussion Items and Possible Action

## Pre-Bond Planning, Design and Contract Administration for Anticipated May 2025 Bond

Dr. Gasaway presented the district's preparation and planning for an anticipated bond election in May 2025. His presentation included the process of developing an informal RFP package to solicit statements of qualifications for pre-bond planning, and possible design and contract administration services. Dr. Gasaway stated that after interviews the committee selected Pfluger as their architect for pre-bond planning.

Upon a motion by Kevin Virdell followed by Gary Boshears the board approved the administration to appoint Pfluger as the selected Architect for pre-bond planning and possible design services and contract administration services for the anticipated May 2025 Bond and authorized the Superintendent to negotiate an agreement in a form approved by the District's legal counsel.

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

## Possible Renewal of Renaissance Learning

Yarda Leflet presented the district's intent to renew the Renaissance Learning Accelerated Reading licenses. Ms. Leflet explained that since the meeting agenda was posted she had negotiated the contract pricing to below the threshold amount requiring board approval. The new contract price resulted in a savings of approximately \$10,000.00 to the district. No action was needed by the board.

## **Possible Renewal of Edify Services**

Yarda Leflet presented for first read the administration's recommendation for a renewal with Edify Education Services for the 2024-2025 school year. Edify Education Services will provide professional development, expanded curriculum-based assessment creation, and expanded data analysis services for the 2024-2025 school year.

### **Possible Renewal of Phoenix Center Services**

Yarda Leflet presented for first read the administration's recommendation for continuing a long-standing partnership with the Phoenix Center to provide school-based therapy services through individual counseling and therapy groups for MFISD Students.

## MFHS AG Barn Heating and Ventilation

Stan Whittle presented the request to select American Constructors to supply the services needed for making improvements to the MFHS Ag Barn heating and ventilation systems. Mr. Whittle shared that the planned improvements to the AG facility are nearing completion.

Upon a motion by Alex Payson, second by Crystal Tubig the board approved \$38,045.00 to have American Constructors make improvements to the MFHS AG Barn heating and ventilation.

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

# Adoption of a Resolution Expressing Intent to Defease and Redeem Certain Outstanding Obligations of Marble Falls Independent School District

Bill Orr presented the resolution allowing the district to "express it's intent" to defease \$9,500,000.00 of debt obligations next year. Mr. Orr shared that this saves the district money and reduces the overall debt position.

Upon a motion by Kevin Virdell, second by Mandy McCary the board approved the district to adopt the resolution expressing the intent to defease and redeem certain outstanding obligations of the Marble Falls Independent School District as presented.

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

# **Approval of 2023-2024 Final Budget Amendment**

Bill Orr presented the final budget amendment to the 2023-2024 general fund and child nutrition budgets.

Upon a motion by Gary Boshears, second by Larry Berkman the board approved the final budget amendments as presented.

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

## **Adoption of Proposed Budget**

Bill Orr presented the 2024-2025 proposed budget for adoption. Mr. Orr included that he will be asking the Board to adopt the tax rates in August after Certified Property Values are received.

Upon a motion by Kevin Virdell, second by Crystal Tubig the board approved the adoption of the 2024-2025 proposed budget as presented.

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

# Consider & Possible Approval of Action Consent Agenda

Upon a motion by Gary Boshears, second by Alex Payson, the Board approved the following as presented:

- Minutes from Regular Board Meeting on May 20, 2024.
- Minutes from Special Board Meeting on June 3, 2024

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

### **Student Handbook**

Mr. Whittle presented the 2024-2025 Student Handbook with revisions since first read including TASB recommendations and dress code updates. With input from the board Mr. Whittle's presentation included clarification on wording from one excerpt of the dress code section.

Upon a motion by Gary Boshears, second by Alex Payson the board approved the student handbook as presented with two changes; the first being striking the last paragraph on page 67 and adding in the first paragraph beginning with the words "Clothing, grooming and body piercings must be" the words neat, clean, decent, modest, appropriate and in good taste.

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

#### **Student Code of Conduct**

Mr. Whittle presented the 2024-2025 Student Code of Conduct for final read and approval with revisions since first read that included one TASB recommendation.

Upon a motion by Alex Payson, second by Kevin Virdell the board approved the 2024-2025 Student Code of Conduct as presented.

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

#### **Extracurricular Code of Conduct**

Mr. Whittle presented for final read and approval, the 2024-2025 Extracurricular Code of Conduct with no revisions since first read.

Upon a motion by Gary Boshears, second by Crystal Tubig the board approved the 2024-2025 Extracurricular Code of Conduct as presented.

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

## **Upcoming Meetings & Board Training Opportunities**

- Monday, July 15, 2024 Regular Board Meeting
- Monday, August 19, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

## **Executive Session**

At 7:14 p.m. the board adjourned into executive session to discuss Professional Personnel (TX Govt. Code 551.074), Superintendent Goals (TX Govt. Code 551.074) and Board Goals (TX Govt. Code 551.074).

The Board reconvened from executive session at 8:13 p.m.

# <u>Discussion and Possible Approval of Action Arising from Executive Session</u> Possible Approval of Professional Personnel

Upon a motion by Crystal Tubig, second by Mandy McCary, the Board approved Administration's recommendation to approve personnel list one as presented in closed session.

For: 7 Against: 0 Absent: 0

## **Adjournment**

Hearing no objection, the Board adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Approved:
Kevin Naumann, President
Gary Boshears, Secretary